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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: Edward L. Carver, Jr.
Steven J. Skiptunas) Group Art Unit: 1743
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on: APPARATUS AND) Examiner: L. Alexander
METHOD FOR MIXING)
FLUIDS FOR ANALYSIS)
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Serial No.: 09/198,004)
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Filed On: November 23, 1998) (Docket No. 116310.0032)

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)**

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2003 to thereby extend the period for response to August 27, 2003. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$465.00 to cover the small-entirety fee associated with such an extension of time. If any additional fee is required, please accept this as authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1631. **A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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